I claim:

1. A dog collar comprising

a strip of flexible material having first and second ends,

a buckle comprising a frame having two lateral sides, top and bottom sides interconnecting the lateral sides and two crossbars extending between the top and bottom sides, and a pawl mounted for pivoting movement on a first of said crossbars, the pawl having a length sufficient to engage one of said lateral sides,

a first of said ends of the strip having a hole formed therein for receiving the pawl,

a second of said ends of the strip being passed around a second of said cross bars and back along itself to form an overlapped portion, and being secured by an adjustment mechanism to an intermediate portion of the strip.

2. The dog collar of claim 1, wherein only a single hole is formed in the strip for receiving the pawl.

3. The dog collar of claim 1, wherein the first end of the strip is doubled and sewn together in the vicinity of the hole.

4. The dog collar of claim 1, wherein the strip of material is a nylon fabric.

5. The dog collar of claim 1, wherein the buckle is made entirely of metal.

6. The dog collar of claim 1, further comprising a D-ring retained by stitching between overlapped layers of the strip.

7. The dog collar of claim 6, wherein the first end of the strip is doubled and sewn together in the vicinity of the hole and the D-ring is retained by stitching on either side of a straight segment of the D-ring.

8. The dog collar of claim 1, wherein the adjustment mechanism is independent of the buckle.

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9. The dog collar of claim 8, wherein the adjustment mechanism comprises a unitary metal body having two apertures separated by a center post, and the second end of the strip is secured to the center post by connecting a doubled portion of the second end of the strip with stitching confining the center post between said layers.

10. The dog collar of claim 1, further comprising a band of material extending around said overlapped portions to maintain them in alignment with one another.